

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



May 30, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman

SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Honoring the 2006-2007 Michigan

Teacher of the Year

Attached is a resolution in honor of the 2006-2007 Michigan Teacher of the Year, Kimberly Kyff, who will represent Michigan teachers during the 2006-2007 school year.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 30, 2006, honoring the 2006-2007 Michigan Teacher of the Year.

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RESOLUTION

KIMBERLY KYFF MICHIGAN TEACHER OF THE YEAR 2006-2007

WHEREAS, throughout Michigan and across the country, teachers open children's minds to the magic of ideas, knowledge, and dreams; and

WHEREAS, teachers keep American democracy alive by laying the foundation for good citizenship and their hard work and efforts are directly responsible for creating the leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, teachers fill many roles, as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators, and mentors; and

WHEREAS, teachers continue to influence us long after our school days are only memories; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education has continually supported teachers with several quality initiatives, including the Michigan Teacher of the Year program, the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, and the Milken National Educator Award; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education have named Kimberly Kyff, a National Board Certified fifth grade teacher at A. Douglas Jamieson Elementary School, Detroit Public Schools with 19 years of teaching experience, as the 2006-2007 Michigan Teacher of the Year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Kimberly Kyff and the thousands of educators around the great State of Michigan for their outstanding work; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education supports all efforts, training, and resources available to our state's educators so that they may continue to educate and positively influence the children of today as they become the leaders of tomorrow.